



Proclamation

Presented

In Recognition of Toastmasters' Month

WHEREAS, Toastmasters International, a non-profit organization, was founded by Dr. Ralph C. Smedley on October 22, 1924, to provide a supportive learning environment where members can build self-confidence and the vital communication skills necessary to succeed in personal and professional ventures; and

WHEREAS, Toastmasters International achievements spans for more than eight and half decades; helping more than four million people worldwide with over 12,500 clubs in 113 countries including 1,275+ members in the State of Hawai'i; and

WHEREAS, Toastmasters International assist individuals in the development of essential communication skills; the ability to speak in a clear and effective manner; and

WHEREAS, Toastmasters International is organized into workshops, where members evaluate one another's presentations with no instructor present; the friendly feedback process is an integral part of the program's success; and

WHEREAS, Toastmasters International offers many benefits to its members by increasing self-confidence in individuals, teaching individuals on how to become a good speaker, listener and leader, and developing effective presentation skills in individuals;

THEREFORE I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, BRIAN SCHATZ, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim the month of May, 2011 as

"TOASTMASTERS' MONTH"

in Hawai'i and urge the people of the Aloha State to recognize the accomplishments and opportunities Toastmasters International has provided to its members.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this second day of May, 2011.

NEIL ABERCROMBIE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

BRIAN SCHATZ
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i